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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the time to respond to March 17, 2002, which is a Sunday. The next business day at the United States Patent and Trademark Office is March 18, 2002, which is the day this response is filed. Should such a request or fee be deficient or absent, please consider this paragraph such a request and an authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741.

In the Specification:

Please insert the following sentence, after the title, as a first paragraph:

This application is a 35 U.S.C §371 filing of PCT/J98/04469, filed on October 2, 1998.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 and 2, without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add new claim 14.